

Remarks/Arguments:

Summary of Changes Made

Claims 1-7 and 15-19 remain in the application. Claims 8-14 have been canceled. Claim 15 has been amended so as to be in independent form, and to include all of the limitations of the base claim (claim 8), which has been canceled.

Election/Restriction

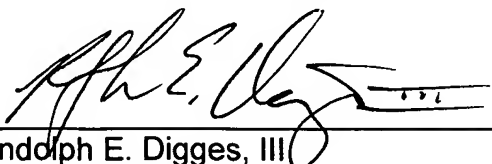
In response to the Election/Restriction requirement set forth in the prior Office Action, applicant hereby elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-7 and 15-19. Claims 8-14, which are directed to the non-elected invention of Group II, have been canceled.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, the issuance of a timely Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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